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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
Geography Division, ORR  
Project Initiation Memorandum

TO : Chief, Geographic Research

Project No. 65.1278

FROM: Chief, Geography Division

Date: 21 October 54

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1. Subject of Proposed Project: [REDACTED]

2. Statement of Problem: (Outline to be attached)

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3. Requester: Department of the Air Force for JCS. Letter dated  
30 September 54 from Director of Intelligence (Top Secret)

4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED]

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5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from:

(a) Other division of the Geographic Area (include maps) (see over)

(b) Other parts of CIA : Graphics Register, DD/P

(c) Outside CIA

(d) D/GL domestic procurement: Yes

6. Estimated Man Hours: 500 approximately

7. Probable Completion Date: April 55

8. Probable Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR-GR 83

9. Special Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Finished Report:  
To requester; possibly to DD/P also.

10. Comments:

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5. (a) Kind and extent of cooperation desired from other divisions of the Geographic Area:
- 1./ D/GC: Prepare large scale maps (about 1:100,000) using existing AMS or other bases, and possibly a small orientation map.
  - 2./ D/GP: Prepare photointerpretation of the area.

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**BORDER STUDY  
(Outline Guide)**

**Part I. Introduction - purpose, assumptions, brief map evaluation**

**Part II. Regional**

**1. Each sector**

**A. Boundary**

**(1) Linear description (brief)**

**(2) Fixed Security Features**

- a. Watch towers
- b. Searchlights
- c. Barriers
- d. Trip signals
- e. Mines
- f. Guard posts

**B. Frontier Security Zone**

**(1) Extent**

**(2) Fixed Security Features (other than those in immediate vicinity of boundary discussed under A (2) above) (Include here the address of border security forces headquarters in different parts of border zone)**

**(3) General security control measures applicable to civilians in the border zone**

**C. Terrain (features discussed with emphasis on traversability and cover)**

**(1) Relief**

**(2) Vegetation (include discussion of availability of food under each type of cover)**

- a. Forest and forest undergrowth
- b. Brush and Scrub
- c. Marsh vegetation

**(3) Soils (only if they would hamper movement on foot)**

**(4) Waterways (stream fordability at low, mean, and flood stages with season of flood, ice conditions, dams and locks)**

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**D. Population (border zone only)**

- (1) Number of people and general distribution
- (2) Areas of dense population (to be avoided)
- (3) Cultural characteristics (language, religion and dress)
- (4) Size of towns and settlements in general in given areas and size of specific towns and settlements
- (5) Rural areas
  - a. Settlement patterns
  - b. Abandoned war-ruin areas or depopulated regions
- (6) Movement (seasonal-forced)
- (7) Health and sanitation
  - a. Endemic diseases
  - b. Water supply
  - c. Sewage disposal

**E. Land Use**

- (1) State Farms
  - a. Types, arrangement, and functions of buildings
  - b. Crops and livestock (emphasis on crops that provide cover and food)
  - c. Seasons of planting, cultivation, harvesting and storage. (Most likely times when large numbers of workers would be encountered in fields and on route to and from fields)
- (2) Collective farms (subpoints same as for state farms)
- (3) Individual farms (subpoints same as for state farms)

**F. Transportation**

- (1) Roads
  - a. General description of net
  - b. Traffic
  - c. Footpaths
- (2) Railroads (description of net with emphasis on lines that approach or cross the frontier)
- (3) Water transportation

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- a. Network
- b. Type and density of traffic
- c. Checkpoints
- d. Availability of small craft

G. Areas to be Avoided

- (1) Industrial areas
- (2) Airfields
- (3) Communication centers (radio, radar, etc.)
- (4) Pipe lines
- (5) Ammunition dumps
- (6) Bridges

Part III. Climate and light factors

Part IV. Summary and evaluation of crossings and routes.

Note: This outline will be supplemented by the I and Z Study outline of 6 August 1952 when necessary.

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